

**NEWCASTLE-UNDER-LYME BOROUGH COUNCIL**

**EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT TEAM'S  
REPORT TO**

**Council**  
**23 November 2022**

**Report Title:** Parliamentary Boundary Review

**Submitted by:** Executive Management Team

**Portfolios:** One Council, People and Partnerships

**Ward(s) affected:** ALL

**Purpose of the Report**

To inform Council of the consultation from the Boundary Commission for England on parliamentary boundaries that impact the borough.

**Recommendation**

**That Council considers making a recommendation to the Boundary Commission for England.**

**Reasons**

To ensure the Council has an opportunity to make any comments on the proposals.

1. **Background**

1.1 The Boundary Commission for England (BCE) has been undertaking a review of parliamentary boundaries. The revised proposals were published on 8 November for a final consultation period of 4 weeks.

2. **Issues**

2.1 Following the passing of the Parliamentary Constituencies Act 2020 and publication of the relevant Parliamentary electorate data in 2021, the BCE commenced a review of parliamentary boundaries. Initial proposals were published in June 2021 and an eight week consultation period was held. The BCE has now published revised proposals for a final 4 week consultation period. Statutory rules mean that each recommended constituency must have no less than 69,724 and no more than 77,062 parliamentary electors. There are some exceptions for 'protected constituencies' but this does not impact Staffordshire.

2.2 The proposals for the borough of Newcastle-under-Lyme mean electors will be within one of 3 parliamentary constituencies as below:

- Newcastle under Lyme County Constituency – electorate of 70,025. This constituency will change slightly with the addition of the remaining part of Polling Districts Madeley and Betley which were formerly part of the Stone constituency.
- Stoke-on-Trent North Constituency – electorate of 69,821. This constituency includes the Borough wards of Kidsgrove and Ravenscliffe, the remaining part of Newchapel and Mow Cop which were formerly part of the Staffordshire Moorlands Constituency, and Talke and Butt Lane.

- Stafford County Constituency – electorate of 70,537. This constituency includes the Borough wards of Loggerheads and Maer and Whitmore and no longer includes part of Madeley and Betley.

2.3 The full detail of the proposals can be accessed via the link below:

<https://boundarycommissionforengland.independent.gov.uk/>

### 3. **Proposal**

3.1 That the Council considers the proposals and makes any comments by the deadline of 5 December 2022.

### 4. **Reasons for Proposed Solution**

4.1 To enable the Council to respond to the consultation.

### 5. **Options Considered**

5.1 None.

### 6. **Legal and Statutory Implications**

6.1 None for the council.

### 7. **Equality Impact Assessment**

7.1 There are no adverse equality impacts identified as a consequence of this report.

### 8. **Financial and Resource Implications**

8.1 There are no additional financial implications to the council beyond the ongoing cost of managing elections in the borough.

### 9. **Major Risks**

9.1 There are no risks.

### 10. **UN Sustainable Development Goals (UNSDG)**

10.1 N/A





11. **Key Decision Information**

11.1 This is not a key decision.

12. **Earlier Cabinet/Committee Resolutions**

12.1 None

13. **List of Appendices**

13.1 None

14. **Background Papers**

14.1 None.